BEFORE

THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF

SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKET NO. 90-30-C - ORDER NO. 90-569

MAY 30, 1990

IN RE: Application of American Public) ORDER
Communications, Inc. for a Certificate) RESCHEDULING
of Public Convenience and Necessity to) HEARING AND Necessity to Provide One Plus Long Distance Service) ALLOWING
and Operator Service in South Carolina.) PETITION TO INTERVENE
OUT OF TIME

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) by way of the Commission's own Motion that the hearing in this matter be rescheduled. The Commission was informed by the Staff during its regularly scheduled meeting on May 15, 1990, that the Applicant in this matter had not timely filed its prefiled testimony and exhibits as required by letter dated April 12, 1990, from the Executive Director of the Commission. The directive required the Applicant to prefile its testimony on or before April 25, 1990. Additionally, Southern Bell Telephone & Telegraph Company (Southern Bell) filed a Petition to Intervene Out of Time on May 11, 1990. The Petition of Southern Bell alleges that due to an accidental oversight which constitutes excusable neglect, Southern Bell did not ascertain that the instant

Application had been filed, but now believes after reviewing the information on file with the Commission that it has a vital interest in this proceeding.

In light of the Commission's rescheduling of this hearing because of the untimely filing of the required testimony and exhibits by the Applicant, the Commission has determined that Southern Bell's Petition to Intervene Out of Time would not unduly delay these proceedings and it is in the public interest for Southern Bell to participate since it has an interest in the outcome of this proceeding. Therefore, the previously scheduled hearing will be rescheduled with all parties receiving notice of the new hearing date, and Southern Bell's Petition to Intervene Out of Time is hereby granted.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

Chairman J. Masas

ATTEST:

Executive Director

(SEAL)